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**VIA ECF**

The Honorable Valerie E. Caproni  
United States District Judge  
Thurgood Marshall  
United States Courthouse  
40 Foley Square  
New York, NY 10007

**Re: *Bettis v. United States of America*, No. 21 Civ. 07496 (VEC) (KHP)**

Dear Judge Caproni:

This Office represents Defendant the United States of America (the “Government”) in this Federal Tort Claims Act action. I write respectfully to request a two-week extension of the deadline for the parties to submit a renewed notice of consent to magistrate judge jurisdiction from today, November 28, 2022, to December 12, 2022. The reason for this request is that the Government needs additional time to coordinate with the *pro se* Plaintiff, who is in the custody of the Federal Bureau of Prisons, to submit a renewed notice of consent. This is the Government’s first request for an extension of this deadline. In light of Plaintiff’s incarcerated status, the Government has not conferred with Plaintiff to determine his position on this request. The Government also apologizes to the Court for the timing of this request.

I thank the Court for its attention to this matter.

Respectfully,

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Application GRANTED. The deadline for the parties to submit a renewed notice of consent to magistrate judge jurisdiction is hereby extended from Monday, November 28, 2022 until **Monday, December 12, 2022**. The Clerk of Court is respectfully directed to mail a copy of this Order to Plaintiff.

SO ORDERED.

 11/28/22

HON. VALERIE CAPRONI  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE